

HOUSE BILL 2081

By Dunn

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33;
Title 68 and Title 71, relative to treatment services
for persons facing certain criminal charges.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 33-1-303, is amended by adding the following new appropriately numbered subdivision:

Establish, in consultation with the commissioner of health, a pilot program with a local law enforcement agency wherein the agency may establish a prearrest diversion program for minor drug charges.

SECTION 2. The commissioner of mental health and substance abuse services shall report annually to the chairs of the senate health and welfare committee and the senate judiciary committee and the chairs of the health committee and the criminal justice committee of the house of representatives on the status of the pilot program authorized by Section 1 of this act.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.